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Troy Police Arrest Suspect in Multi-State Identity Theft Scheme

Troy, MI – On September 21, 2025, Troy Police officers arrested David Andrew Williams, 30, of Chicago, Illinois, in connection with a complex identity theft and financial fraud scheme targeting residents across the metro Detroit area.

The investigation began when Troy Police were notified that a UPS delivery driver had been approached by a male subject attempting to intercept a package. Officers from the department's Directed Patrol Unit responded and conducted surveillance at the address where the package was scheduled for delivery. The intended recipient was contacted, and the package was delivered directly to her by the UPS driver. Officers soon observed the same male subject approach the porch in attempt to steal the package.

Detectives quickly learned that the resident's debit card had been compromised, and new replacement cards were being sent through the mail. A debit card was inside the package the subject was attempting to intercept.

Further investigation revealed that multiple victims throughout the metro Detroit area had received fraudulent text messages from spoofed accounts advising them that their debit cards were compromised. Replacement cards were then mailed out, only to be intercepted and stolen by the suspect. Once in possession of the cards, the suspect would withdraw funds directly from victims' accounts.

Troy Police detectives interviewed several victims who all reported falling victim to the same crime. Through search warrants and digital evidence analysis, investigators were able to connect Williams to multiple victims and confirm his involvement in the scheme.

Subsequently, Williams was arrested and charged with Identity Theft, Stealing/Retaining a Financial Transaction Device Without Consent, and No Operator's License On Person. He was arraigned in 52-4 District Court on September 21, 2025, where bond was set at $75,000 or 10% cash.

Investigators believe this case is part of a larger, multi-state crime trend. Williams has an extensive criminal history that includes prior convictions for identity theft and credit card fraud. He is currently on probation for similar offenses.

Troy Police commend the swift actions of the Directed Patrol Unit and the tireless efforts of detectives who worked to identify victims and connect evidence across multiple jurisdictions. This investigation remains ongoing, and additional charges may follow.

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